

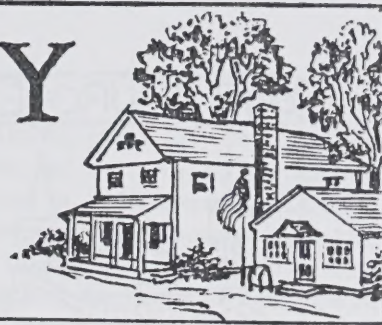
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MONTEREY NEWS



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OUR TOWN

Master Plan for Town Being Considered

The selectmen have under consideration the employing of consultants to draw up a master plan for the Town of Monterey. Behind this study is the recognition that this type of work calls for special kinds of expertise that is unavailable locally.

Such a plan would include the possibility of a sewer system in the village and planning for the best use of the different types of land. It would study areas suitable for sub-division. Special attention would be given to the most advantageous use of the lake areas. In short, it would look toward planning for the orderly and efficient development of the various areas in the town. The proposal that such a study be made recognizes that the issue is not whether or not Monterey will be developed. The pressure for this is increasing steadily. The basic issue is how to secure the most orderly and attractive use possible use possible.

The cost for such a study would be approximately \$3,000. The selectmen plan to present an article to provide for the transfer of funds in order to employ to the consultants to make this study.

This proposition will be presented at a special town meeting in January. It will be considered at the same time as the proposals for zoning changes. Prior to this special town meeting it is planned to hold a public hearing on the proposed zoning changes.

Actions on the Boat Ramp

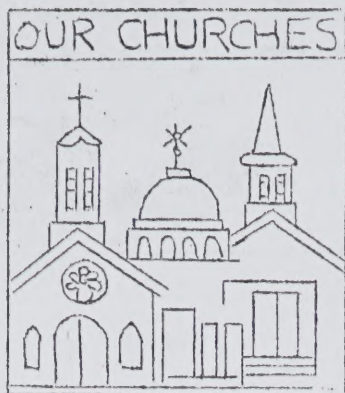
A special town meeting is to be held, probably in January, to deal with the easement or rights on the parcel of land on which the boat ramp would be built on Lake Garfield. This requires a lifting of restrictions on the use of this parcel to make possible its use as a boat ramp. After action has been taken by the town, the matter will then be handled by the Public Access Board.

Two New Members Named to Planning Board

In a recent action two persons were elected to the Monterey Planning Board to replace Mrs. Ann Porter and Robert G. Brown, who had submitted their resignations. Jed Lipsky and Mrs. Barbara Tryon were elected by the three selectmen and two of the three remaining members of the Planning Board. Both Mr. Lipsky and Mrs. Tryon have extensive experience in the area of town zoning and planning. Mr. Lipsky was Chairman of the Windhall, Vermont, Planning Board before moving to Monterey, and also served in various capacities related to environmental affairs. Mrs. Tryon was for seven years a member of the Town's original Planning Board. They will serve until the annual town meeting next May, when an election will take place to fill the unexpired terms of Mrs. Porter and Mr. Brown.

Historical Commission to Be Appointed

Announcements are to be made shortly by the selectmen on the appointment of a Historical Commission for the town. This is related to the securing of matching funds from the state for building an addition to the library for the storing of historical treasures. Any addition to the library would be the responsibility of the Library Committee. The function of this new group would be primarily to deal with funding.



CATHOLIC CHURCHES

One Mass during the winter, Sunday, 10:00 a.m., at the Immaculate conception Church, Mill River.

Christmas Midnight Mass will be celebrated at our Lady of the Valley Church in Sheffield.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Notes Morning Worship each Sunday, 10:30 a.m. . . .
Church School and Confirmation Class each Sunday, 9:15 a.m.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

Christmas Caroling
Friday, Dec. 21, 6:30 p.m.

All who wish in the community are invited to an evening of caroling for the sick and shut-in of the community. Meet at the church at 6:30 p.m. At the end gather for hot cocoa or coffee.

Children's Christmas Celebration
Saturday, Dec. 22, 7:00 p.m.

This is a traditional Monterey event that has provided a festive time for our children. Santa plans to be there and to have gifts for all Monterey children through the second grade. A program will be provided by several of the youth organizations. The whole town is invited.

Christmas Sunday Worship
Sunday, Dec. 23, 10:30 a.m.

On this day we will celebrate the ordinary everydayness of the manger, and yet the extraordinary event that is still shaping human history two thousand years later. The Christ-event is to be celebrated in word and song

and sacrament.

Lessons and Carols
Candlelighting Service
Sunday, Dec. 23, 7:30 p.m.

The scriptures and music of Christmas are the most effective means of conveying to us the message concerning the divine-human drama that began in Bethlehem two thousand years ago. The lighting of candles which are carried out into the darkness is one way in which

this worship will seek to symbolize the meaning of Christmas to us. All in the community have a cordial invitation.

GROUPS IN THE CHURCH

A number of new groups have emerged in the Monterey Church during the past year. These groups have tended to form around a "support and expression" form for the participants. Their coming into being says something about a new style of church life that is beginning to show itself. Any person who has a concern for some dimension of our common life is invited to suggest a type of group he or she would like to share in. Recent groups to come into being are listed.

Friendship Group

This group grew out of the concern of a few of our people for an opportunity for more knowledge and sharing with others. It usually meets twice a month. For information call Ruth Carr 528-2354.

House Church

This is a group made up from several churches in the Southern Berkshire area. Its intention is to help persons grow in their capacity for openness and expression. Its agenda is to produce a much more intimate and caring structure for church life so that the participants gain the freedom to live more openly. This group meets about once a month and has a long session, beginning with a 5 o'clock shared supper and concluding about 11:00 p.m. For further information call Henry Stewart 528-0319.

Christian Healing Group

This is an ecumenical group drawn from the Southern Berkshire area, whose intention is to study, pray and work toward becoming an instrument for Christian healing. It meets every Thursday evening in the Brallier home. For information call Mr. or Mrs. Hadley Simons 528-0324.

Other groups are a Quaker Meeting made up of people who have a Quaker background or have a deep interest in practicing this form of worship. It meets on Thursdays at noontime. For information call Patricia Howard 528-4879. There is also a Music Group composed of a number of persons who meet weekly with their various instruments primarily for the fun of "doing music" together. For information call Margery Janes 528-2494.

DISCOVERY

Last month my son, Gary, came to where I was working in the lower part of the yard and said, in a voice of quiet excitement, "Dad, I want you to come up on the hill with me -- there is something you've just got to see." When we arrived a few moments later he faced me toward the southwest, instructed me to kneel down low on the ground and look across the top of the grass. What I saw made my eyes fairly bulge with wonder. There, reflected in the rays of the late afternoon sun, was a shimmering network of spiderwebs, interlacing the grass with an intricate pattern of beauty. I was seeing something I had never seen before. To be sure, I had seen spiderwebs in the grass many times, but nothing resembling this.

It was hours later, after darkness had settled over the land, that the real impact of this experience broke upon me. It overwhelmed me to realize that year after year this wonder had been under my feet and I had been blind to it. What enabled it to happen now? Well, in this instance, it came because of another's experience and discovery. But the only way I could see it for myself was to be in a certain new position at a certain moment. Indeed, position made all the difference in the world. Only as I was bowed down with my eyes near the grass level and looking in the direction of the setting sun was I able to see and participate in this marvel of nature. I still feel chagrin as I realize that this amazing sight has been lying around me for years. Yet I was as good as blind until I found myself in a new position.

In the Gospel according to St. Luke there is a story that stirs my imagination. Jesus had been crucified and his broken body placed in a tomb. In the tomb, also, were the hopes and dreams of those who had shared a few unforgettable years in his company. Now, two of the heartbroken disciples were returning to their home in Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. As they walked, they were joined by a stranger. They poured out their hearts to him. He listened and talked to them about disappointment and hope. As they came to a place where the road parted, they begged the stranger to stay with them for the night, since darkness was already beginning to fall. But even more than the simple desire to give hospitality, they wanted to continue in the presence of this person who understood their pain and grief so well. Then, as they sat to share the evening meal, the stranger took the bread in his hands, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them. In that instant their eyes were opened and they knew that their own Lord had walked with them on their toilsome journey. Needless to say, during that journey their eyes were unseeing, but now, in a new and yet familiar position, their eyes were opened. Only then could they look back on their journey and say to each other, "Did we not feel our hearts on fire as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?"

How shall we begin to talk about the very personal and painful experience that it is to lose a dear one to death? Death comes with its sudden icy grip and all signs of life are gone. The body is without response. There is no smile, no voice, no communication. Death presents itself with absolute finality. There is no way to argue with its impact. Once there was life. Now there is none. This mandate stands regardless of anything you may say or do.

For what I wish to say next I have no skill and there are no words. But let me try anyway. Death has a way of making its message so clear that you soon learn to stop bruising your fist and wasting your voice. Fight as you will, nothing is going to change, and the sooner you accept this message the better off you will be.

Then, it may be, some time after you have made the best terms you can with the death of your loved one, a tiny incident no larger than the flickering of an eyelash speaks to you of a presence of which you have been unaware. It is so easy to miss. But other incidents come, carrying also about the same weight as the flickering of an eyelash. Doubt is easily able to demolish anything so fragile and delicate. But suppose you start to wonder in spite of all your doubt. Well then, any psychologist can readily point out how handy all we humans are at seeing the things we long to see. And, of course, he is absolutely right.

I have spent a lifetime learning that to see new things I must stand in a new position. Less than a year ago I was put in a starkly new position by the sudden death of a son. Though I had dealt with death many times before, this made me face it from a new perspective. Out of this and the events that followed for our family, I want to affirm in a new way that often-repeated line from the creed, "I believe. . . in the communion of saints." Also I find a new affirmation when I sing, "For all the saints who from their labors rest,/ Who thee by faith before the world confessed,/ Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia! Alleluia!/ And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,/ Steals on the ear the distant song,/ And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Virgil V. Brallier, Minister
Monterey United Church of Christ

GOULD FARM

Wedding bells again! Eleanor Newey and the Reverend Lewis H. Kreuzer have announced their plan to be married on January 5th at 3:00 p.m. in the United Church of Christ, Monterey. The ceremony will be performed by the Reverend Hampton Price, former Executive Director of Gould Farm. A reception at the Farm will follow. The couple will make their home in Bangor, Maine.

An especially delicious dinner prepared by Mrs. Newey and her helpers was served on Thanksgiving Day. While several of the staff and guests spent the holiday with their families, a number of relatives and friends of residents and guests came for the weekend here. A simple but moving worship service was held in the Main House living room, as usual, in the hour preceding dinner. Holiday decorations and a different arrangement of tables brightened the large dining room. There were reports on farm produce, building activities and finances, and Kent Smith, Executive Director, as master of ceremonies, contributed brief remarks.

During the last few months there has been a marked upsurge of activity in the craft program. This had lapsed for want of leadership. Now there is candle-making, batik, tie dyeing, silkscreening, drawing, painting and ceramics, all going on in the basement workshops. Skilled supervisors are Mary Burton Beinecke and Rick Beinecke, with the assistance of several other staff members and guests. Hand-screened Christmas cards and notepaper are on sale at the Farm and also at "Wonderful Things", near the Friendly Ice Cream restaurant on Route 7 in Great Barrington.

Rose McKee

MONTEREY GRANGE

Monterey Grange # 291 met on December 5th. Slides of Grange activities were shown by Overseer John Lossin. State Grange Overseer Vernon West, Pomona Deputy Earl Bond and Subordinate Deputy Edward Cooper were present. The next meeting will be December 19. The theme of the program will be "Christmas Symbols" and there will be a 50¢ gift exchange.

Mary Wallace
Lecturer

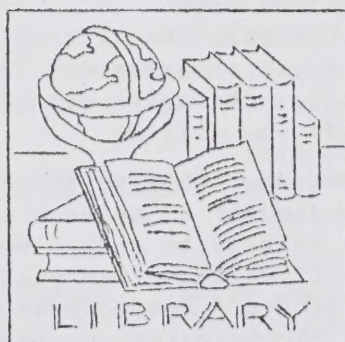
SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE UNIT OF AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

The American Cancer Society has organized a southern Berkshire Unit. Monterey is one of the several towns to offer this service through Mrs. Frances Tryon, R.N., a member of the committee.

Volunteers for transportation for treatment are Mrs. Marion Schneider, Mrs. Hazel Hebert and Mrs. Ethel Sleeper.

Other services being set up are loan of equipment for recovery program and home care program. More information will be available as requirements and procedures are worked out for various areas of service.

Frances Tryon



NEW BOOKS AT THE MONTEREY LIBRARY

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| Lindbergh, Anne | - Hour of Gold, Hour of Lead |
| Teresa, Vincent | - My Life in the Mafia |
| Truman, Margaret | - Harry S. Truman |
| Roosevelt, Elliott | - The Roosevelts of Hyde Park |
| Ludlum, Robert | - The Matlock Paper |
| Shaw, Irwin | - Evening in Byzantium |
| Rockefeller, John D. III | - The Second American Revolution |
| Lessing, Doris | - The Summer Before the Dark |
| Ruesch, Harris | - Back to the Top of the World |

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| Kraft, Joseph | - Chinese Difference | Harris, Thomas | - I'm OK, You're OK |
| Hill, Pamela | - The Devil of Aske | Tryon, Thomas | - Harvest Home |
| Nolen, William | - Surgeon's World | Stewart, Mary | - Hollow Hills |
| Renault, Mary | - Persian Boy | Dykeman, Wilma | - The Tall Woman |
| Macdonald, Ross | - Sleeping Beauty | Humphrey, William | - Proud Flesh |

A NOTE FROM THE MONTEREY POST OFFICE

The Post Office has some new items which might be of interest to stamp collectors. First is the National Parks Centennial Folder which sells for \$1.50. This folder contains the recent stamps issued to commemorate the national parks. The 1973 mini-album is now available and sells for \$3.00. This contains all the commemorative stamps issued in 1973. Also available are the 1971 and 1972 mini-albums.

I would like to thank the Brownie Troop for the lovely decorations in our flower boxes. I have received many nice compliments.

Remember--Mail early in the day and use zip code to speed your mail on its way.

Thank you.

Walter M. Parks
Postmaster

GIRL SCOUTS



Brownies The young ladies have been very active this fall. Two field trips, one to the Barrington Airport and the other to Ward's Nursery to see the Christmas displays. Please note the flower boxes in front of the post office. These were done by the Brownies for the holiday season. A camp-in was held at Mrs. Papp's house, where the girls toasted marshmallows and sang songs.

Junior Girl Scouts The girls have been busy making Christmas decorations. Plans are being made for the town Christmas Party. At Hallow'een they put on the party for the young children of the town. Mrs. Thorn is their leader.

Cadettes The Cadettes this year were in charge of the UNICEF collection, which totaled \$53.88. They held a Hallow'een Party for the older boys and girls. Mrs. Andrus accompanied five Cadettes on a hike from the Hayloft to Grant City and back again. Betsy Bynack, Gwen O'Connell, Kristine Heath, Susan Andrus and Andrea Pizzichemi took part in the hike, which gave them credit toward their Hiker's Badges. Anna Thorn attended a Brownie meeting and taught the words and motions to "TAPS". Christmas wreaths have been made as part of Arts and Crafts challenge. A play is being written for the town Christmas Party.

JUNIOR HI YOUTH

Elected for office this year: Co-Chair People - Artie Hebert and Sylvia Brallier
Transportation and Communication - Anna Thorn
Finance and Refreshments - Warren Thomson

Once again underway, the group has gone bowling, had a Yoga demonstration and has gone to the movies. They will have a Christmas Party on December 16.

BOY SCOUTS

Boy Scout Troop 48 of Otis joined some 800 boys on Saturday, October 13, in hiking a section of the Knox Trail. It consists of ten miles, Otis to Blandford Fair Grounds. Those participating from Monterey were Kenny Heath, Danny Andrus and Shawn Ryder.

On October 26-27 the boys camped out for two nights. Proper packing, cooking and lashing skills were shown, along with fire building.

The Fall Camporee was held at the Marion Fathers' in Stockbridge. Those attending from town were Shawn Ryder, Kenny Heath, Billy Bynack, Danny Andrus and Mark Makuc. 250 boys attended the two-day event. Out of the three skill contests the Otis Troop took a first in one.

Court of Honor was held on December 2. A Christmas Party will also be held.

CUB SCOUTS

Pack 51 has two dens this year, one in Monterey and one in Mill River. The Pack has been to Lee for bowling. Monterey den is practicing for the Christmas Party. Pack meeting will be held in Mill River, Friday, December 14. The theme for this month is "Genius Night". Mrs. Pat Andrus is the leader, assisted by Mrs. Lois Ryder.

MONTEREY 4-H

Panhandlers The Monterey Panhandlers held their first meeting on November 30. We have six members again this year. They are Billy Bynack, Wendy Bynack, Danny Andrus, Shawn Ryder, Kenny Heath and Kristine Heath. At our meeting we made a 4-H exhibit for the 4-H Achievement Night that was held December 7 in Otis.

Kristine Heath
Junior Leader

Roadrunners There are fifteen members. Our leader is Mr. Heath. On Sunday, October 28, we went to the Royal Lippizan Horse Show. Each meeting we have a demonstration about horses.

Gwen O'Connell
Correspondent

The 4-H is in desperate need of leaders -- sewing, crafts, woodworking, knitting, or just about anything. If you are willing to spend an hour a week with a small group, please contact Mrs. Ryder at 528-2548.

Lois Ryder
Youth Correspondent

A SPECIAL MESSAGE OF THANKS

Mrs. Julius Miner wishes to express her loving appreciation for the help that came to her after the recent death of her daughter, Lois Miner Moller. Cards, visits, gifts of flowers and food from friends and memorial gifts to the Wesson Memorial Hospital in Springfield all brought comfort in this time of bereavement, far beyond what can be expressed in these few lines of appreciation.

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The MONTEREY NEWS has been gratified by your response to our November appeal. We have welcomed your heartwarming comments as well as your contributions. Donations to the NEWS have been received from the following: Mr. & Mrs. Earl Adams, Dr. & Mrs. James Adams, John F. Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Amidon, Peter A. Anderson, Jean Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bearce, Leonard Bogdanoff, Howard M. Boyd, Sheldon Bristol, Mrs. Harmon Bro, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Bronstein, Sigmund H. Bronstein, Mr. & Mrs. E.E. Brosseau, Mrs. Florence Brown & Mrs. Alice Burhans, Maryellen Brown, Mrs. Ruth Carr, Mrs. Evelyn Chamberlain, Mrs. William F. Chamberlin, Rev. James Chase, Rev. & Mrs. Edward Chipman, Dr. Marion Clark, Mrs. Howard Colt, Dr. & Mrs. Findlay Crowe, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Cummings, Mrs. E.P. Davis, Drs. Hugo & Alice DeMartino, Mrs. Stanley Dietter, Robert J. Donelan, Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Doorley, Mrs. Elizabeth S. Dreher, Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph Erda, Miss Rosemary Farrar, Mr. John Fijux, Marjorie Fuller, Dr. Edward B. Gardner, Camp Glenmere, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hardisty, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Heber, Mrs. Leon G. Howes, Kelly Janes, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jespersen, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Kalodner, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Kern, Jerry L. Kinion, Herbert Kraiss, Mrs. Donald LaMudge, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Lancome, Richard Lankenau, Dr. & Mrs. Harold Lemmerman, David P. McAllister, Loul McIntosh, Mr. & Mrs. Floyd McKay, Mrs. Rose McKee, Marjorie McLaughlin, Dr. Noel Mahn, Mrs. Herbert G. May, Mrs. Martin J. Mellon, Archdeacon Arthur J. Monk, Mr. John Perry Miller, Mr. & Mrs Eugene O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles O'Connor, Dr. & Mrs. William Oislander, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Olds, Mrs. E. Ormandy, Mrs. Richard Patton, James Pearson, Mrs. Charles Peet, Mrs. Charles . Peterson, Mr. & Mrs. A. Peter Phillips, Louis Potter, Dorothea Potz, Mr. & Mrs. Richard M. Race, Alan Roland, Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Rotondo, Mr. & Mrs. C. Henry Rydberg, Mr. & Mrs. John Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Schlegel, Mr. & Mrs. C. Robert Schlichter, Mrs. Marion G. Schneider, Mr. & Mrs. Leo Schreiber, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Sharefkin, Mrs. Helen T. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. John Silard, Dr. & Mrs. Herbert Silberner, Kent Smith, Mrs. Arthur D. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest M. Taylor, Frank W. Thober, T. Folger Thomas, Mr. & Mrs. F.D. Vorck, Mrs. Mary Wallace, Rev. W. Raymond Ward, Mrs. John J. Weiss, Mrs. William Welch, Mrs. Fred C. White, Mrs. Lois Winchester, Mr. Charles F. Wocel, Ralph R. Worden.

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